

## **ERROR CORRECTIVE MECHANISMS FOR CONSENSUS DECODING OF SPEECH**

### **Abstract of the Disclosure**

5           Techniques are described for decreasing the number of errors when  
consensus decoding is used during speech recognition. A number of corrective rules are  
applied to confusion sets that are extracted during real-time speech recognition. The  
corrective rules are determined during training of the speech recognition system, which  
entails using many training confusion sets. A learning process is used that generates a  
10   number of possible rules, called template rules, that can be applied to the training  
confusion sets. The learning process also determines the corrective rules from the  
template rules. The corrective rules operate on the real-time confusion sets to select  
hypothesis words from the confusion sets, where the hypothesis words are not necessarily  
the words having the highest score.

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